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In re Application of:)
Ali AMARA et al.) Group Art Unit: 1648
Application No.: 10/700,491) Examiner: Stacy Brown CHEN
Filed: November 5, 2003) Confirmation No.: 6283
For: COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING DC-)
SIGN BLOCKERS AND METHODS)
OF USING DC-SIGN BLOCKERS)
FOR PREVENTING OR TREATING)
DISEASES OF A MAMMAL,)
INCLUDING VIRAL INFECTIONS)

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Sir:

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents on the attached listing. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination in the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed foreign and non-patent literature documents are attached.

Copies of patent application numbers 10/464,531 and 10/700,507 were previously submitted on May 26, 2005, but the Examiner did not initial the PTO/SB/08 form to indicate that they were considered. Applicants are not resubmitting copies here, but would be happy to do so at the Examiner's request. Applicants note that the Examiner

indicated in the previous Office Action that the applications had been considered. Applicants respectfully submit that, upon consideration of the references, initialing of the PTO/SB/08 is appropriate and request that the examiner do so. See MPEP 609 ("There is no requirement that the information submitted must be prior art references in order to be considered by the Examiner. . . . The initials of the Examiner placed adjacent to the citations on the PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08A and 08B or its equivalent mean that the information has been considered by the examiner")

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claims in the application and Applicants determine that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicants reserve the right to present to the office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

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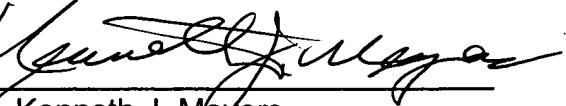
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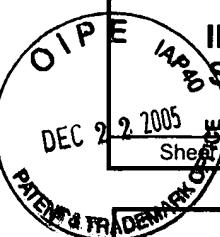
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